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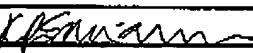
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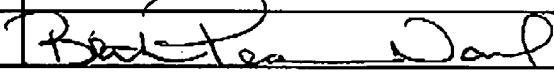
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF JANUARY 14, 2005

This is in response to the Office Action dated January 14, 2005, on the referenced application. Reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested in view of the remarks below. Amendments to the claims start on page 2 of this document. Remarks start on page 14 of this document.